

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A lancet device comprising:
 - a) a housing, said housing including an at least partially open interior;
 - b) a cocking seat defined in said housing;
 - c) a lancet moveably disposed at least partially within said open interior and including a piercing tip;
 - d) a biasing assembly engaging said lancet;
 - e) said lancet including an engagement element;
 - f) said cocking seat structured to engage said lancet at said engagement element and retain said lancet against a force of said biasing assembly;
 - g) a release element on said housing structured to engage and thereby pivot said engagement element and to thereby affirmatively ~~at least partially~~ disengage said engagement element from said cocking seat such that said potential energy of said biasing assembly moves said lancet relative to said cocking seat and drives said

piercing tip of said lancet at least temporarily into a piercing orientation; and

- h) said engagement element including a single use pivot, said pivoting of said engagement element by said release element to disengage said engagement element from said cocking seat further structured to break said single use pivot and thereby ~~structured to~~ render said engagement element inoperative to retain said lancet on said cocking seat after said release element disengages said engagement element from said cocking seat.
2. (Original) A lancet device as recited in claim 1 wherein said cocking seat is stationary relative to said housing.
3. (Original) A lancet device as recited in claim 1 wherein said cocking seat is structured to move said lancet into releasing engagement with said release element.
4. (Original) A lancet device as recited in claim 1 wherein said release element is structured to be exteriorily actuated so as to disengage said engagement element from said cocking seat.
5. (Original) A lancet device as recited in claim 1 wherein said single use pivot is structured to be deformed upon said release element disengaging said lancet from said

cocking seat so as to prevent repositioning of said lancet in engaged, pre-fired relation with said cocking seat.

6. (Original) A lancet device as recited in claim 1 wherein said single use pivot is defined by a breakable hinge structured to break upon said engagement element being disengaged from said cocking seat by said release element, thereby preventing re-use thereof.
7. (Original) A lancet device as recited in claim 6 wherein said breakable hinge is defined by a reduced thickness section of said engagement element.
8. (Original) A lancet device as recited in claim 1 wherein said cocking seat comprises a ledge defined in said housing.